

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently Amended) An outside handle device according to claim 4 3, wherein the first member is one of a pin and a groove, while the second member is the other of the pin and the groove.

3. (Currently Amended) An outside handle device according to claim 1, comprising:

a handle frame provided inside a vehicle door

a handle portion located outside the vehicle door, the handle portion comprising an arm portion possessing a distal end;

the arm portion of the handle portion extending into the handle frame, with the distal end of the arm portion contacting the handle frame at a position about which the handle portion rotates when the handle portion is rotated to open the vehicle door; and

first and second members provided at the arm portion of the handle portion and the handle frame, respectively, the first member being located at a location different from the distal end of the arm portion, the second member being in sliding engagement with the first member to define a path of extension of the handle frame,

wherein an electrical component is accommodated in the handle portion, a first connecting element is pivotably mounted on the arm portion and is electrically connected to the electrical component, and a second connecting element is provided at the handle frame and is in electrical engagement with the first connecting element.

4. (Previously Presented) An outside handle device according to claim 3, wherein the first connecting element is at least partially surrounded by an internal surface of the arm portion.

5. (Previously Presented) An outside handle device according to claim 3, wherein the electrical component is an antenna.

6. (Previously Presented) An outside handle device according to claim 3, wherein the electrical component is a sensor for door-unlocking operation.

7. (Previously Presented) An outside handle device according to claim 3, wherein the electrical component is a door-locking switch.

8. (Previously Presented) An outside handle device according to claim 3, wherein the first connecting element is a connector.

9. (Previously Presented) An outside handle device according to claim 3, wherein the first connecting element is a connector holder.

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